

I am appalled at Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. One person shouldn't be able to tell stations to run a clearly politically motivated show, even if they don't want to. How will democracy survive if a few people control the news and are not held accountable for the accuracy of it. It is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Democracy needs a diversity of opinions and the freedom to disagree if it is to survive. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them.

Thank you